

# Newington Local Emergency Planning Committee

## MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 2009

TIME: 2:01 PM

LOCATION: EOC, POLICE DEPT

### MEETING CALLED BY

**Chief Richard Mulhall**

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Judye Torpey, Dave Woods, Richard Mulhall, Sherry Rusbarsky, Harry Abery Jr, Steven Cordani, Tom Molloy, John Salomone, Ken Freidenberg, Jeff Baron, Paul Hutcheon.

### MEMBERS EXCUSED

Chief Chris Schroeder

### OTHERS PRESENT

None

### PREVIOUS MINUTES

Approved by: **Friedenberg, Woods, D.**

### CORRESPONDENCE

N/A

### SUBCOMMITTEE

N/A

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Chief Mulhall brought the committee update on the state of CT's a new vendor for the Reverse 911 System (Everbridge). 159 of the 169 towns have already signed on with the other 10 to follow next year. Other modules are available to town depts. There is also the capability to add a message as long as the message meets the criteria for life/death situation. The system also has a component on the website to register to receive the message either by cell phone, email, home/work number, and also be set based on the type of emergency.

### NEW BUSINESS

- a. Chief Mulhall updated the committee on the grant approved by DEMHS for the enhancements for the EOC. The funds are being used to add 2 more antenna lines to the EOC, two large screen displays, two laptops, and other misc. equipment. The 2 antenna lines will be used to connect to the Region III radio frequency and to bring in a spare antenna cable as a back up. The two displays will be used to display the Web EOC system and for GPS tracking of equipment or cable feeds. The equipment and cabling should be completed within 2 weeks.
- b. Paul Hutcheon from Central CT Health provided the committee with a handout on Seasonal Flu and H1N1. So far there are 1600 providers registered with 37/38 vaccinations sites. He also stated that the district would be holding public vaccination clinics for priority groups. Looking to use the public/parochial schools after school as distribution sites depending on the number of vaccines supplied. A grant was awarded and being used to cover the increase in Judye Torpey's hours as well as supplies such as handy wipes, masks, sanitizer's, educational materials and the administering of the vaccine.

The question was asked if the police department, who are 1<sup>st</sup> responder's should be wearing masks? It was advised by Judye Torpey (CCHD) that if the responder is in the situation where the patient is coughing and the patient refuses to wear a surgical mask, then the responder should be wearing a mask. It is recommended using the

	<p>N95 mask. CCHD will provide the training on the mask.</p> <p>CCHD is out of vaccine for the seasonal flu; the 3100 doses were given out. It is recommended to contact your physician or <a href="http://flucliniclocator.org">flucliniclocator.org</a> if you are in need of the vaccination.</p>
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